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Comments due: 5:00 PM Eastern Time, December 17, 2014

Read the Federal Register Notice:

http://www.justice.gov/enrd/ConsentDecrees/LINNTON_PLYWOOD_FED_REG.pdf

On November 7, 2014, the U.S. Department of Justice filed a complaint and proposed Consent Decree with Linnton Plywood Association to settle claims for response costs and Natural Resource Damages at or in connection with the Portland Harbor Superfund Site in Portland, Oregon. Linnton Plywood Association formerly operated a veneer plant but has not operated since 2001 and has been winding down its business. Based on existing information, the company has very limited financial resources, other than its real estate and some comprehensive liability insurance that may cover some of the costs to cleanup Portland Harbor.

Under the Consent Decree, Linnton Plywood Association will a) pay the United States \$450,000; b) sell its remaining real property within the Portland Harbor Superfund Site and pay the net proceeds from that sale to the United States; and c) establish and assign certain rights under its insurance policies to the Portland Harbor Superfund Site Insurance Recovery Trust. The Trust, to be established by the Trust Agreement which is attached to the Consent Decree, will seek coverage pursuant to the assigned insurance rights and direct the proceeds of any recoveries to the United States. All payments under the Consent Decree and proceeds from the Trust will be divided 75% to EPA and 25% to the Department of Interior and NOAA as natural resource damage trustees.

The Department of Justice is taking comment on the proposed Consent Decree. During the public comment period the Consent Decree can be found on the Justice Department website: http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/Consent_Decrees.html

How to comment: Comments should refer to United States v. Linnton Plywood Association, D.J. Ref. No. 90-11-2-06787/3, Docket number: 2014-27074

Send comments by email to pubcomment-ees.enrd@usdoj.gov

Or by mail to:

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For more information about the Portland Harbor Superfund site:

<http://yosemite.epa.gov/R10/CLEANUP.NSF/sites/ptldharbor>



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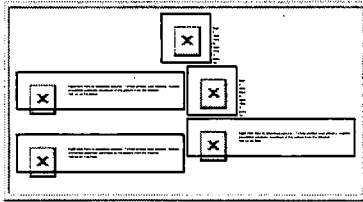
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